

APPENDIX B: PENDING CLAIMS

- 1. (Amended) An endometriosis or infertility treating pharmaceutical composition comprising:
 - (i) a therapeutically effective amount of a β-adrenergic agonist, and
 - (ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable bioadhesive carrier.
 - 2. The composition of claim 1 wherein the β -adrenergic agonist is terbutaline.
- 3. The composition of claim 2 wherein the bioadhesive carrier is a cross-linked water insoluble but water swellable polycarboxylic acid polymer.
- 4. (Amended) The composition of claim 3, wherein the concentration of terbutaline is about 0.1% to about 0.4% weight/weight.
 - 5. The composition of claim 4, wherein the polymer is polycarbophil.
- 6. (Amended) An endometriosis or infertility treating pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a β -adrenergic agonist.
- 7. (Amended) The composition of claim 6, wherein the β -adrenergic agonist is terbutaline, and the composition is formulated to be administered in a dosage that delivers about 1 mg. to about 8 mg. of terbutaline.
- 8. The composition of claim 7 wherein the composition further comprises a bioadhesive, water insoluble but water swellable, cross-linked polycarboxylic acid polymer.
 - 9. The composition of claim 8, wherein the polymer is polycarbophil.
- 10. (Amended) The composition of claim 9 formulated to be administered in a dosage that delivers about 2 mg to about 4 mg of terbutaline.

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- 13. A method of treating endometriosis or infertility, or of improving fertility, comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of a composition comprising a β-adrenergic agonist and a pharmaceutically acceptable bioadhesive carrier locally to the vaginal mucosa of a patient in need thereof.
- 14. (Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the β -adrenergic agonist is terbutaline, and the composition is formulated to be administered in a dosage that delivers about 1 mg. to about 8 mg. of terbutaline.
- 15. (Amended) The method of claim 14, wherein the composition is administered in a dosage that delivers about 2 mg to about 4 mg of terbutaline.
- 16. A method of treating endometriosis or infertility, or of improving fertility, comprising administering a therapeutically effective amount of a composition comprising a β -adrenergic agonist and a pharmaceutically acceptable bioadhesive carrier locally to the vaginal mucosa of a patient in need thereof, while avoiding detrimental blood levels of said a β -adrenergic agonist.
 - 17. The method of claim 16 wherein the β -adrenergic agonist is terbutaline.
- 18. The method of claim 17 wherein the bioadhesive carrier comprises a cross-linked water insoluble but water swellable polycarboxylic acid polymer.
 - 19. The method of claim 18, wherein the polymer is polycarbophil.
- 20. (Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein the composition is administered every 12 to 96 hours.
- 21. (Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein the composition is administered twice weekly.

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22. (Twice amended) The method of claim 15, wherein the composition is administered in the form of a tablet.

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- 36. (New) A pharmaceutical composition for treating endometriosis comprising:
- (i) terbutaline at a concentration of about 0.1% to about 0.4% weight/weight; and
 - (ii) polycarbophil.
- 37. (New) A pharmaceutical composition for treating infertility or improving fertility comprising:
- (i) terbutaline at a concentration of about 0.1% to about 0.4% weight/weight; and
 - (ii) polycarbophil.